



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Allen Dean Mammel
Serial No.: 09/398,987
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Group Art Unit: 3643
Examiner: Rowan, K.
Title: NO-TIE FISHING SYSTEM AND METHOD

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2001 (Paper No. 20), Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the Claims in view of the following amendments and comments as set forth below. Please amend the Application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

For the convenience of the Examiner, all pending claims of the present application are shown below in clean form whether or not an amendment has been made.